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09/613,016

Filed: July 10, 2000

Inventor(s): Hsu et al.

Title:

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Cosine Transform Method

Examiner:

Mai, Tan V.

Group/Art Unit:

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION OF JANUARY 22, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 22, 2004, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows.

In the Claims

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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CONCLUSION

Claims 1 - 14 were pending in the application. Claims 15 - 20 have been added.

Claims 1-20 accordingly remain pending in the application.

Added Claims 15 - 20 recite a carrier medium and a computer system including

features corresponding to those of Claims 1-5.

The Office Action rejected claims 1 - 14 under the judicially created doctrine of

double patenting as being unpatentable over U.S. patent application serial no. 09/613,015. A

Terminal Disclaimer in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.321(b) to obviate the double patenting

rejection has been filed along with this response. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully

request removal of the double patenting rejection.

Applicants submit the application is in condition for allowance, and an early notice to

that effect is requested.

A Fee Authorization is enclosed to cover the filing fees for a disclaimer; however, the

Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit

any overpayment, Meyertons, Hood, Kivlin, Kowert, & Goetzel, P.C. Deposit Account No.

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Respectfully submitted,

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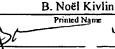
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